

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF S. 2796, THE WATER
RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2000

OCTOBER 18, 2000.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. GOSS, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 639]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 639, by nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for consideration in the House of S. 2796, the Water Resources Development Act of 2000, under a closed rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides for one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 2 be considered as adopted. The rule further provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that should the Senate bill, as amended, pass the House, it shall then be in order to move that the House insist on its amendment to S. 2796 and request a conference with the Senate thereon.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED UNDER THE
RULE

(Derived from amendment summary provided by amendment sponsor)

Shuster/Oberstar: Amendment in the nature of a substitute, printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 2. Approves the Comprehensive Restoration of the Everglades Plan as a concept, and authorizes the first increment based on the Senate-passed Everglades provision with minor amendments. Authorizes two water

resource development projects that have received favorable review by the Army Corps of Engineers. Authorizes 26 water resources development projects subject to completion of a favorable review by the Army Corps of Engineers by December 31, 2000. Modifies existing water resources projects to reflect changed conditions. Modifies existing policies governing the water resources program of the Army Corps of Engineers. Authorizes feasibility studies for prospective water resources projects. Modifies existing authorities and directives of the Army Corps of Engineers to reform existing policies and procedures. Provides for an independent peer review pilot program; enhanced public participation in feasibility studies; monitoring of completed projects; and mitigation of environmental impacts. Authorizes and modifies environmental restoration and environmental infrastructure projects and programs for: Calfed Bay Delta program; Lower Columbia River estuary program; San Gabriel Basin; Illinois River Basin; Ohio River Basin; Puget Sound; Missouri River; and Mississippi River. The total cost of the amendment in the nature of a substitute (federal+nonfederal) is \$6 billion.

